



JUNEAU COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABILITY AGENDA

May 07, 2025 at 12:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wish to honor the indigenous people of this land. For more than ten thousand years, Alaska Native people have been and continue to be integral to the well-being of our community. We are grateful to be in this place, a part of this community, and to honor the culture, traditions, and resilience of the Tlingit people. Gunalchéesh!

C. ROLL CALL

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 24, 2025 - JCOS Worksession

2. April 2, 2025 - JCOS Regular Meeting

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

G. AGENDA TOPICS

3. CBJ Energy Management Discussion - Nate Abbott, CBJ

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

4. Comprehensive Plan Webpage - <https://juneau.org/community-development/our-juneau-comp-plan>

5. Our Juneau, Our Future – Comprehensive Plan Survey
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/818edf6ec122456ebfc7b578029c8655#n-35bx2f>

I. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

J. NEXT MEETING DATE

6. Worksession May 21, 2025 12 PM @ Zoom

7. Regular Meeting June 4, 2025 12 PM @ Zoom

K. ADJOURNMENT

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Juneau Commission on Sustainability
Minutes—Meeting of March 05, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Griffin Plush at 12:02 pm.

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Griffin Plush, Nick Waldo, Brennen McColloch, Jim Powell, David Teal, Marian Call, Jessica Barker

Absent: Duff Mitchell, Laura Achee

Staff & Others Present: Assembly liaison Alicia Hughes-Skandijs, CBJ Staff Dianna Robinson

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as published without Objection

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. 02/05/2025 Regular Meeting--Approved without Objection

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

G. AGENDA TOPICS

1. Worksession Recap

Griffin Plush summarized the previous worksession focused on reviewing the Juneau Renewable Energy Strategy and the Comprehensive plan. Marian Call shared potential sustainability session dates including March 20th or 24th and April 29th.

2. Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area Staffing Memo

The commission discussed writing a memo to the delegation regarding sustainability concerns with the Mendenhall Glacier recreation Area staffing shortage.

3. Title 49 Rewrite

The rewrite is a nine-to-twelve-month process. The commission discussed holding a sustainability session focused on the Title 49 rewrite in the fall and a worksession focused on the rewrite in April. The comment period is currently open.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

Staff Update –Dianna Robinson commented on the challenges with the latest greenhouse gas inventory. The commission discussed options for future inventories including pursuing

an ETIPP grant, putting out a new RFP, or competing an inventory inhouse and incorporating it into the new CBJ website.

I. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

1. Alicia Hughes-Skandijs provided an update on the Huna Totem Corporation's cruise ship dock proposal. The assembly will be voting on amendments to the tideland lease on March 17th and comments are due before then. – David Teal motioned to direct Griffin and Marian to work with CBJ on a memo to the assembly recommending amendments that would support the Juneau Renewable Energy Strategy. Jim Powell seconded the motion.

J. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. Worksession – March 19, 2025 12PM @ Zoom
2. Regular Meeting - April 2, 2025 12PM @ Zoom

K. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 1:07 pm

Juneau Commission on Sustainability

Minutes—Meeting of April 2, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Griffin Plush at 12:03 pm.

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Marian Call, Griffin Plush, Nick Waldo, Brennen McColloch, David Teal, Jessie Barker

Absent: Duff Mitchell, Laura Achee, Jim Powell

Staff & Others Present: CBJ Staff Dianna Robinson, Nina Keller (PC), Alicia Hughes-Skandijs.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as published without Objection

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

G. AGENDA TOPICS

1. April Sustainability Session – Marian
 - Marian shared updates on upcoming sustainability session planning.
 - Initial plans for an April 29th event on food security at the Valley Library were deferred due to scheduling conflicts.
 - Members discussed hosting an outdoor "walk and talk" event in May, potentially focused on foraged foods or a tour of the new solid waste campus (recycling, composting, etc.).
 - Additional ideas included sessions on water treatment, wastewater management, and a tour of the treatment facility.
 - Planning will continue during the April 16 work session.
 - Outdoor session tentatively scheduled for May, with a return to indoor sessions in August or September
 - Fall/winter sustainability session could focus on AELP's ETIPP grant work on heat pump adoption and EV charging.
2. Energy management questions for Nate Abbott – Griffin
 - Members should send questions for Nate to Dianna by April 30.

- Griffin recommended interested members review JRES recommendations, particularly the potential for an energy management strategy for CBJ facilities.
- Potential discussion topics for meeting with Nate include: current emissions reduction efforts, existence of an energy management system, major city energy projects, challenges with heat pumps in large buildings, future infrastructure needs, and system recommissioning.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

- Dianna reported on the Southeast Alaska regional waste working group, including a presentation by Zach Boyden (DEC) on incinerators and a new regional waste study. Goals include developing tailored waste profiles and recommendations for smaller communities.
- Dianna also shared updates on tourism-season planning:
 - A “trash bear” meeting was held with the Tourism Manager, ADF&G, and Alaska Waste.
 - Plans for a bearproof trash enclosure at Pier 49 and new decorated trash cans downtown, possibly with bear education. Implementation is targeted for spring 2026.
 - CBJ is engaging with downtown businesses to mitigate trash issues this summer.
 - CBJ is also considering support for the Glacier Visitor Center via marine passenger fees.
- The draft of the first phase of the [CBJ Solid Waste Study](#) was shared. Key finding: a transfer station is essential in all proposed paths forward, and action is needed soon.
- David Teal reported on a phone call with Zach Brown regarding a national renewable energy celebration. A related community event is being planned in Juneau for September, with a planning meeting in May. Could be an opportunity for JCOS to help with community energy education.

I. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

- Alicia shared that the Assembly budget retreat will take place on Saturday, April 5. Weekly budget meetings will follow. Members are encouraged to bring forward questions or suggestions.

J. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. Worksession - April 16, 2025 12 PM @ Zoom
2. Regular Meeting - May 7, 2025 12 PM @ Zoom

K. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 1 pm